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SECRETARY KISSINGER ON FOREIGN POLICY

ANNCR: VOA NEWS ANALYST RONALD J. DUNLAVEY DISCUSSES A SPEECH ON FOREIGN POLICY DELIVERED SUNDAY BY SECRETARY OF STATE KISSINGER:

VOICE: SECRETARY OF STATE HENRY KISSINGER HAD ONLY BEEN BACK FROM HIS AFRICAN TRIP FOR TWO DAYS WHEN HE DELIVERED A MAJOR ADDRESS ON AMERICAN FOREIGN POLICY. THIS BEING AN ELECTION YEAR, SOME ASPECTS OF THAT FOREIGN POLICY ARE BEING DEBATED WITH MORE HEAT THAN USUAL, AND MR. KISSINGER WAS OBVIOUSLY CONCERNED THAT THE FORD ADMINISTRATION'S CONDUCT OF THAT POLICY SHOULD BE PROPERLY DEFENDED.

CONSEQUENTLY, HE REITERATED IN HIS SPEECH SUNDAY SOME OF THE BASIC PREMISES OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S CONDUCT OF INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS. HE INSISTED THAT THE UNITED STATES MUST HAVE A STRONG DEFENSE, AND ASSERTED THAT THE FORD ADMINISTRATION HAS MAINTAINED THAT DEFENSE---SOMETHING WHICH ITS CRITICS HAVE DENIED. FURTHERMORE, HE SAID---OBVIOUSLY ANSWERING A COMPLAINT THAT HAS BEEN MADE AGAINST HIM PERSONALLY---THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT BELIEVE IN A POLICY OF WEAKNESS AND ABDICATION OF RESPONSIBILITY. (OPT.) IT WILL RESIST MOVES BY ITS ADVERSARIES TO GAIN UNILATERAL BENEFITS BY DIRECT OR INDIRECT MILITARY PRESSURE; FOR EXAMPLE, THERE WILL BE NO MORE ANGOLAS. (END OPT.) BUT HE ALSO DEFENDED SOVIET-AMERICAN DETENTE---ANOTHER POLICY THAT HAS BEEN UNDER ATTACK IN SOME QUARTERS. (OPT.) "WE OWE IT TO OURSELVES AND TO THE WORLD," SAID MR. KISSINGER, "TO PUSH BACK THE SHADOW OF NUCLEAR HOLOCAUST, TO SLOW THE STRATEGIC ARMS RACE, TO RESOLVE POLITICAL PROBLEMS THROUGH NEGOTIATION, AND TO EXPAND OUR RELATIONS ON THE BASIS OF STRICT RECIPROCITY."

HE ALSO STRESSED, AS HE DID IN AFRICA, THE NEED FOR A VIABLE WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER WHICH WOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT THE NEEDS OF BOTH INDUSTRIAL AND DEVELOPING NATIONS. (END OPT.)

FINALLY, MR. KISSINGER SPOKE ABOUT UNITED STATES MIDDLE EAST POLICY. IF HE DEVOTED SPECIAL ATTENTION TO THIS AREA IT WAS PARTLY BECAUSE HE WAS SPEAKING TO A SPECIAL AUDIENCE---ON THE OCCASION OF RECEIVING AN AWARD FROM A JEWISH GROUP---AND PARTLY BECAUSE THE ADMINISTRATION HAS BEEN AT SOME PAINS TO DENY REPORTS OF INCREASING TENSION IN ISRAELI-AMERICAN RELATIONS.

(OPT). SPEAKING TO AN AUDIENCE OF JEWISH VOTERS ABOUT THE MIDDLE EAST IN AN ELECTION YEAR IS A FORMIDABLE ASSIGNMENT, BUT SECRETARY KISSINGER USED IT FOR A RESTATEMENT OF THE BASIC PRINCIPLES OF AMERICAN MIDEAST POLICY. (END OPT.)
HE REAFFIRMED THE TRADITIONAL AMERICAN SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL'S EXISTENCE AND SECURITY, BUT HE ALSO STRESSED THE NEED FOR CONTINUING NEGOTIATIONS TOWARD A JUST SETTLEMENT OF THE ARAB-ISRAELI CONFLICT. THOSE NEGOTIATIONS, HE SAID, CONTAIN OBSTACLES AND DIFFICULT DECISIONS FOR ISRAEL. (OPT.) "ANY NEGOTIATION," HE CONTINUED, "WILL REQUIRE ISRAEL TO EXCHANGE TERRITORY IN RETURN FOR POLITICAL AND THEREFORE MUCH LESS CONCRETE CONCESSIONS." (END OPT.) BUT, ADDED MR. KISSINGER, THE DILEMMAS AND RISKS WHICH ISRAEL FACES "ARE DWARFED BY A CONTINUATION OF THE STATUS QUO." IN NEGOTIATION THERE IS HOPE; IN STAGNATION THERE ARE MOUNTING DANGERS.

THIS IS NOT THE FIRST SPEECH MR. KISSINGER HAS GIVEN IN DEFENSE OF THE ADMINISTRATION'S FOREIGN POLICY, AND IT WILL NOT BE THE LAST. MORE THAN USUAL IN A PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION YEAR, FOREIGN POLICY SEEMS TO BE AN IMPORTANT ISSUE. AS THE ADMINISTRATION'S FOREIGN POLICY ARCHITECT, SECRETARY

KISSINGER HAS BEEN UNDER PERSONAL ATTACK; AS SPOKESMAN FOR THAT POLICY, HE CLEARLY FEELS THAT ITS DEFENSE AND CLARIFICATION ARE HIS SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY. (OPT.) THESE ARE SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCES WHICH HELP TO EXPLAIN THE RAPIDITY WITH WHICH HE MOVED INTO THE PUBLIC ARENA SO SOON AFTER HIS RETURN FROM AFRICA---AND THE PARTICULAR THEMES WHICH HE CHOSE TO DEVELOP IN HIS SPEECH. (END OPT.)

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